

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) An interactive amusement device comprising:

- (a) a body;
- (b) a transport element moveably connected to the body;
- (c) a motor associated with the body, the motor operably coupled to the transport

element;

- (d) a microprocessor operably coupled to the motor;

- (e) a data reader-writer operably coupled to the microprocessor to receive data from a

swipe card data storage device handled by a user of the amusement device, said swipe card data storage device being separate from said amusement device, wherein the data comprises

enhancement data adapted to enhance a function of the amusement device ,after said swipe card

has been swiped, whereby wherein said enhanced function must at least include one of the

following enhanced functions selected from the group consisting of: increased mobility,

increased speed, expanded defense, and diminished defense of the amusement device ,and

wherein said data reader-writer is also adapted such that one or more additional swipes of said

swipe card while the amusement device is in operation results in said enhanced function being

further enhanced .

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 1 further comprising at least two limbs moveably connected to the body, wherein the motor is operably coupled to the at least two limbs.

6. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 1, further comprising a wireless receiver operably coupled to the microprocessor.

7. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 6, further comprising a remote wireless transmitter operably coupled by wireless communication with the wireless receiver.

8. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 1, further comprising a unit wireless transmitter associated with the body, the unit wireless transmitter capable of wireless communication with a second interactive amusement device.

9. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 1 wherein the transport element comprises at least two wheels.

10. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 1 wherein the transport element comprises at least two legs.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently amended) An amusement device comprising:

a body;

features carried by the body;

means for powering the device and at least some of the features, said means for powering carried by the body;

means for communicating information to the device comprising:

a swipe card means for holding information, said swipe card means for holding discrete from the device and operable by a user of the amusement device, and a data reader-writer means for receiving information, said data reader-writer means for receiving carried by the body; and

a microprocessor operably coupled to the means for powering and said data reader-writer means for receiving, said information comprises enhancement information adapted to enhance a function of the amusement device after said swipe card has been swiped, whereby wherein said enhanced function must at least include one of the following enhanced functions selected from the group consisting of: increased mobility, increased speed, enhanced defense and -and/or diminished defense of the amusement device , and wherein said data reader-writer is also adapted such that one or more additional swipes of said swipe card while the amusement device is in operation results in said enhanced function being further enhanced .

13. (Currently amended) An interactive amusement device comprising:

(a) a body;

- (b) a transport element moveably connected to the body;
- (c) a motor associated with the body, the motor operably coupled to the transport element;
- (d) a microprocessor operably coupled to the motor;
- (e) a data reader-writer operably coupled to the microprocessor to receive data from a swipe card data storage device handled by a user of the amusement device, said swipe card data storage device being separate from said amusement device, wherein the data comprises enhancement data adapted to enhance a function of the amusement device after said swipe card has been swiped, wherein ~~whereby~~ said enhanced function by said swipe card data storage device must at least include one of the following enhanced functions selected from the group consisting of: increased mobility, increased speed, expanded defense and ~~and/or~~ diminished defense of the amusement device, and wherein said data reader-writer is also adapted such that one or more additional swipes of said swipe card while the amusement device is in operation results in said enhanced function being further enhanced ;
- (f) a wireless receiver operably coupled to the microprocessor;
- (g) a unit wireless transmitter associated with the body, the unit wireless transmitter capable of wireless communication with a second interactive amusement device; and
- (h) a remote wireless transmitter operably coupled by wireless communication with the wireless receiver.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Canceled)

17. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 13 further comprising at least two limbs moveably connected to the body, wherein the motor is operably coupled to the at least two limbs.

18. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 13 wherein the transport element comprises at least two wheels.

19. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 13 wherein the transport element comprises at least two legs.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently amended) An interactive amusement system comprising:

- (a) a body;
- (b) at least two transport elements moveably connected to the body;
- (c) at least two arms moveably connected to the body;
- (d) a motor associated with the body, the motor operably coupled to the at least two

transport elements and the at least two arms;

(e) a data reader-writer associated with the body, the data reader-writer adapted to receive data from a swipe card ~~data storage device~~ handled by a user of the amusement device, said swipe card ~~data storage device~~ being separate from said amusement device, wherein the data comprises enhancement data adapted to enhance a function of the amusement device after said swipe card has been swiped , ~~whereby~~ wherein said enhanced function must at least include one of the following enhanced functions selected from the group consisting of: increased mobility, increased speed, expanded defense and ~~and/or~~ diminished defense of the amusement device and wherein said data reader-writer is also adapted such that one or more additional swipes of said swipe card while the amusement device is in operation results in said enhanced function being further enhanced ; and

(f) a microprocessor operably coupled to the motor, the microprocessor being adapted to receive data from the data reader-writer and command the motor to perform an action.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Canceled)

24. (Previously presented) The interactive amusement device of claim 21 wherein the enhancement data increases the mobility of the device.

25. (Previously presented) The interactive amusement device of claim 21 wherein the enhancement data increases the speed of the device.

26. (Previously presented) The interactive amusement device of claim 21 wherein the enhancement data allows the device to perform an additional function.

27. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 26 wherein the additional function comprises a punching motion performed by the at least two arms.

28. (Canceled)

29. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 21 ~~28~~ wherein the card is adapted to resemble a playing card.

30. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 21 wherein the at least two transport elements are at least two wheels.

31. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 21 wherein the at least two transport elements are at least two legs.

32. (Canceled)

33. (Currently amended) An interactive amusement system comprising:

(a) a body;

- (b) at least two transport elements moveably connected to the body;
- (c) at least two arms moveably connected to the body;
- (d) a motor associated with the body, the motor operably coupled to the at least two transport elements;
- (e) a microprocessor operably coupled to the motor, the microprocessor being adapted to command the motor to perform an action;
- (f) a data reader-writer associated with the body, the data reader-writer adapted to receive enhancement data from a swipe card ~~data storage device~~ handled by a user of the amusement device and transmit the enhancement data to the microprocessor, said swipe card ~~data storage device~~ being separate from said amusement device, wherein the enhancement data enhances a function of the device after said swipe card has been swiped , ~~whereby~~ wherein said enhanced function must at least include one of the following enhanced functions selected from the group consisting of: increased mobility, increased speed, expanded defense and diminished defense of the amusement device and wherein said data reader-writer is also adapted such that one or more additional swipes of said swipe card while the amusement device is in operation results in said enhanced function being further enhanced ;
- (g) a wireless receiver associated with the body, the wireless receiver adapted to receive a wireless communication and transmit the wireless communication to the microprocessor;
- (h) a unit wireless transmitter associated with the body, the unit wireless transmitter operably coupled with the microprocessor and capable of wireless communication with a second interactive amusement device; and

(I) a remote wireless transmitter operably coupled by wireless communication with the wireless receiver.

34. (Previously presented) The interactive amusement device of claim 33 wherein the enhancement data increases the mobility of the device.

35. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 34 wherein the enhancement data increases the speed of the device.

36. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 34 wherein the enhancement data allows the device to perform an additional function.

37. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 36 wherein the additional function comprises a punching motion performed by the at least two arms.

38. (Canceled)

39. (Canceled)

40. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 33 wherein the at least two transport elements are at least two wheels.

41. (Original) The interactive amusement device of claim 33 wherein the at least two transport elements are at least two legs.

42. (Canceled)

43. (Currently amended) An interactive amusement system comprising:

- (a) a body;
- (b) at least two transport elements moveably connected to the body, wherein the at least two transport elements are selected from the group consisting of
 - (1) at least two wheels, and
 - (2) at least two legs;
- (c) at least two arms moveably connected to the body;
- (d) a motor associated with the body, the motor operably coupled to the at least two transport elements;
- (e) a microprocessor operably coupled to the motor, the microprocessor being adapted to command the motor to perform an action;
- (f) a data card reader associated with the body, the data card reader adapted to receive enhancement data from a data card handled by an operator of the device and transmit the enhancement data to the microprocessor, said data card being separate from said amusement device, wherein the enhancement data provides an enhanced function after said data card has been swiped, ~~whereby~~ wherein said enhanced function must at least include one of the following enhanced functions selected from the group consisting of: increased mobility, increased speed,

expanded defense and ~~and/or~~ diminished defense of the amusement device and wherein said data card reader is also adapted such that one or more additional swipes of said swipe card while the amusement device is in operation results in said enhanced function being further enhanced;

(g) a wireless receiver associated with the body, the wireless receiver adapted to receive a wireless communication and transmit the wireless communication to the microprocessor;

(h) a unit wireless transmitter associated with the body, the unit wireless transmitter operably coupled with the microprocessor and capable of wireless communication with a second interactive amusement device; and

(I) a remote wireless transmitter operably coupled by wireless communication with the wireless receiver.

44. (Currently amended) The interactive amusement device of claim 1 4, further comprising a card game, wherein the card game is played using a number of said data storage cards.

45. (Previously presented) The interactive amusement device of claim 44, wherein said amusement device receives information or commands from said data storage cards to perform actions which complement the card game.

46. (Currently amended) The interactive amusement device of claim 13 ~~16~~, further comprising a card game, wherein the card game is played using a number of said data storage cards.

47. (Previously presented) The interactive amusement device of claim 46, wherein said amusement device receives information or commands from said data storage cards to perform actions which complement the card game.

48. (Currently amended) The interactive amusement device of claim 21 28, further comprising a card game, wherein the card game is played using a number of said data storage cards.

49. (Currently amended) The interactive amusement device of claim 48 47, wherein said amusement device receives information or commands from said data storage cards to perform actions which complement the card game.